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1. NEITHER RESOLUTION TRANSMITTED REFTELS ADEQUATELY EMPHASIZE IMPORTANCE CLOSE COORDINATION BETWEEN ECLA AND UNEP ON ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES. DEL SHOULD POINT OUT TO SPONSORS IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH (AND BELIEVE IMPLICIT IN GA RESOLUTIONS ESTABLISHING UNEP) TO UN ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS' AVOIDING DECISIONS THIS STAGE WHICH WOULD HAVE EFFECT PREJUDICING WORK OF UNEP GOVERNING COUNCIL WHICH WILL MEET IN FIRST SESSION JUNE 12-22. DEL SHOULD REMIND SPONSORS AS DESIRABLE THAT UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED GA DECISIONS REGARD-
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ING UN ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM FLOWED FROM EQUALLY UNANIMOUS STOCKHOLM RECOMMENDATIONS IN DEVELOPMENT OF WHICH US AND OTHERS WORKED CLOSELY WITH LA' S IN ENDEAVOR ARRIVE AT MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY RESULTS.

2. DEL SHOULD ENDEAVOR INSURE TO EXTENT POSSIBLE THAT ANY RESOLUTION THIS ITEM BE CONFINED TO (A) ENDORSEMENT GA ACTION CREATING UNEP; (B) EMPHASIZING IMPORTANCE OF REGIONAL ACTIVITIES AND THEREFORE DESIRABILITY CLOSE COORDINATION BETWEEN ECLA AND UNEP; AND (C) APPROVAL FOR ESTABLISHMENT SMALL JOINT ECLA- UNEP ENVIRONMENT UNIT, PER US POSITION PAPER THIS ITEM. RE LATTER POINT SHOULD BE

STRESSED THAT WE ANTICIPATE JOINT UNIT WILL SERVE MANY OF PURPOSES THAT PROMPTED RESOLUTION IN REF (A) BUT ON BASIS THAT IS FAR BETTER ABLE ASSURE CLOSE COORDINATION WITH UNEP.

3. DEPT BELIEVES URUGUAYAN RESOLUTION COMES CLOSEST TO FOREGOING US OBJECTIVES. USDEL SHOULD, HOWEVER, SEEK REVISIONS IN EFFORT BRING IT CLOSER TO US POSITION. RE PREAMBULAR PARA REPORTED PARA ONE REF (B), DEL SHOULD SEEK ADDITION WORDS " IF ADEQUATE PRECAUTIONS NOT RPT NOT TAKEN"; IF UNABLE OBTAIN DESIRED IMPROVEMENTS, HOWEVER, AND IF NECESSARY FORESTALL LESS DESIRABLE RESOLUTION, USDEL MAY SUPPORT URUGUAYAN RESOLUTION IN PRESENT FORM. IN THIS EVENT, USDEL SHOULD MAKE STATEMENT FOR RECORD OF IMPORTANCE US ATTACHES TO CLOSE COORDINATION BETWEEN ECLA AND UNEP, IN VIEW OVERALL COORDINATING ROLE ASSIGNED UNEP BY 27 TH GA RESOLUTIONS.

4. RESOLUTION TRANSMITTED REF (A) APPEARS INCOMPATIBLE US OBJECTIVES AND ENVISAGES ELABORATE, UNNECESSARY, COSTLY ENVIRONMENTAL MACHINERY IN ECLA WHICH USDEL SHOULD OPPOSE.

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